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The Parthenon

MARSHALL UNIVERSITY



Thursday

Chance of showers;
highs in lower 60s

■ VANDALISM

Cafeteria closes for repairs

By Deborah Blair
Reporter

Holderby Hall residents were turned away from the cafeteria Wednesday morning after officials discovered that a small end table had been thrown through the roof.

Between 11 p.m. Tuesday and 5:30 a.m.

Wednesday, someone threw the table through the roof, forcing Marriot to close the cafeteria because of water damage.

Ken Bailey, resident director of HH, said he is not sure who threw the table, but a \$250 reward is being offered for information.

The hole the table made in the roof allowed water to leak into the cafeteria,

damaging the carpet, television, jukebox and ice cream machine.

"Officials are still trying to evaluate the damages to determine what will be done," Bailey said.

The cafeteria will be closed while repairs are made. Holderby residents can eat in either the Twin Towers or Memorial Student Center cafeterias.

■ FOOTBALL

Players plead not guilty

By Mark Truby
Sports Editor

Two Marshall football players who were arrested early Sunday morning plead not guilty to charges of obstructing police and disorderly conduct.

Senior wide receiver William Joseph Brown, 22, and junior wide receiver Tharen Jerome Todd, 20, both of 510 20th St., were arrested for allegedly scuffling with police during a traffic stop.

No court date has been set for the two players.

Brown, who is the team's leading receiver, also was charged with driving with a suspended licence. An official at Cabell County Magistrate

Court said court appearances for the two have not been scheduled, but will probably be in December.

According to court records, police stopped a vehicle driven by Brown and asked for identification.

Brown reportedly told the officer that he wasn't carrying it with him. The officer then asked Todd for identification and he refused, police say.

Police officers then asked Todd to step out of the car and place his hands on the roof, but he repeatedly removed his hands and told the officer not to touch him, the report stated.

Todd then walked away from one officer and pulled away from the other after he was told he was under arrest.

Brown reportedly began yelling and tried to interfere with the officers when they were handcuffing Brown.

Brown and Todd have no comment, said their attorney Lisa Fredeking-White.

Coach Jim Donnan had no comment, except to say that any disciplinary action would only take place after the court appearances.

Clean & sober

ALCOHOLICS AREN'T JUST BUMS ON THE STREETS, AND AA ISN'T

JUST FOR OLD PEOPLE. JUST ASK THESE STUDENTS.

ALCOHOLICS are the bums you see on the streets – the old men and women sleeping behind the floodwall, right?

Some Marshall students disagree.

"Less than 3 percent of all alcoholics are down-and-out bums. Most are employed, have families, houses and all the other trappings of a normal life," said Mike F., a member of Alcoholics Anonymous and a returning Marshall student.

"I was young and in school, but I was still an alcoholic," said Margie W., a graduate student and active AA member.

Steve M., a 24-year-old undergraduate, agrees.

"Alcohol doesn't respect money, age, social position, race or gender. Anyone can be an alcoholic."

Huntington has an active AA community, with dozens of meetings every week. But many students who need help often avoid AA because they think it's for older alcoholics, Margie said.

"I thought AA was all just old people. Part of the reason I went to my first meeting was the person who invited me was younger than I was."

"Yeah, I thought AA was all just a bunch of old farts sitting around drinking coffee and

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BY JOHN P. WITHERS

■ TAILGATING

SGA gives it one last chance

By Susan Weaver
Reporter

Student Government Association is giving the student tailgate area "one last try" this weekend before the Homecoming game, said student Sen. Dara Porfeli.

"If turnout is poor," Porfeli

said, "we'll probably wrap it up for the year and begin again next year with increased awareness."

Porfeli said she thinks there will be a larger turnout this weekend because of Homecoming.

"There will be more people on campus this weekend."

Porfeli said. "People who normally go home for the weekend won't because it's Homecoming."

SGA designated a student tailgate area on Lot "T" behind Crutcher's.

Porfeli said Saturday's tailgate will include local vendors and a live band, Jarvys Skye.

A NIGHT TO



REMEMBER

TODAY

■ 7:30 p.m. – Library Associates meeting in MSC Alumni Lounge.

FRIDAY

■ 6 p.m. – Athletic Hall of Fame induction dinner, MSC W. Don Morris Room.

■ 7:30 p.m. – Journalism Alumni Association annual awards dinner at Radisson Hotel.

■ 8 p.m. – "An Evening With Friends" reception sponsored by the Alumni Association in Erickson Alumni Center.

■ 9 p.m. – Baseball alumni get-together, Casz's Sports Tavern.

■ 9 p.m. – Homecoming Dance in the Radisson Hotel's Neighborhood Lounge.

SATURDAY

■ 11 a.m. – Organizational meeting of Herd Legends in the stadium's Big Green Room.

■ Noon – College of Business Alumni Association luncheon at the Radisson Hotel.

■ 4 p.m. – Baseball Alumni tailgate at the Lefty Rollins Track.

■ 5 p.m. – "Dinner-Under-the-Tent" at the Alumni Association tent at Lefty Rollins Track.

■ 7 p.m. – Homecoming game kickoff.

SUNDAY

■ Noon – Alumni vs. Alumni baseball game at St. Cloud Commons.

■ 2:30 p.m. – Alumni vs. 1994 baseball team at St. Cloud Commons.



This & that

Christmas Rush on his merry way

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — That's no "feminazi" bashing you hear — it's the clatter of reindeer hooves as the "right(-wing) jolly old elf," Rush Limbaugh, breaks out the Christmas cheer for charity.

The newly cuddly conservative recites "Twas the Night Before Christmas" on an album to benefit hospitals associated with the Children's Miracle Network.

"The Stars Come Out for Christmas, Volume V" features Limbaugh, Clint Black, Ray Charles, Willie Nelson, Dolly Parton, Kenny Rogers and others performing holiday classics. The recording is due in stores Nov. 1.

Agassi Avenue a hairy situation

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Andre Agassi and his dad want to make sure the tennis champ's fame is cast in concrete.

The 1992 Wimbledon champion has requested that two streets bordering his property in southwest Las Vegas be changed to Agassi Avenue and Agassi Lane.

Andre's dad, Mike Agassi, says it was all his idea. "I'm so proud of my son — why not have my streets named after him?"

County officials say they've got a law that bars the same name on streets running in different directions, but they're willing to make a deal.

"If he wanted to name one street Andre Avenue and the other Agassi Lane, that would be fine," said county spokeswoman Irene Navis.

Why? Because they like him

The people of Grenada have a special affection for Mickey Mouse and his Disney cartoon pals — and it shows on their postage stamps.

In a 10-year period (1981-1991) Grenada, located in the Windward Islands of the West Indies, has issued 12 different sets of stamps featuring Mickey and other Disney cartoon characters.

To celebrate the 65th birthday of the renowned rodent, Grenada has released a set of eight new stamps and two souvenir sheets featuring scenes from his popular movies, "Mickey's Tailor" (1938) and "Mickey's Birthday Party" (1942).

Seeking intelligent life,...

NEW YORK (AP) — In case you had any doubts: A new analysis of spacecraft data shows strong evidence of intelligent life on Earth.

The key tip-off is stray radio signals like those from radar and television stations, astronomer Carl Sagan and colleagues say.

In Thursday's issue of the journal *Nature*, they said the analysis provided a test of how well spacecraft can detect life on other worlds.

So far, they said, no strongly suggestive evidence of extraterrestrial life has appeared in spacecraft encounters with more than 60 planets, moons, comets and asteroids.

But a different story emerged when Sagan and colleagues examined data gathered by the Jupiter-bound Galileo spacecraft in December 1990, when it passed within 600 miles of Earth.

Of all the data, the radio signals "provide the only indication of intelligent, technological life on Earth," the researchers wrote.

They noted that such signals would not have been available before this century.

Other signs of life included abundant amounts of oxygen, methane and nitrous oxide in the atmosphere, and the plant substance chlorophyll all over the planet as detected by near-infrared photography.

Sagan did the work with colleagues at Cornell University and elsewhere.



Powell picks pal to pen his papers

NEW YORK (AP) — Gen. Colin Powell has found a fellow military man to collaborate on his memoirs.



POWELL

Joseph E. Persico — historian, biographer of Nelson A. Rockefeller and Edward R. Murrow, and former naval officer

— has been chosen to work with Powell, Random House publishers said Tuesday.

Powell retired last month as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Persico recently wrote "The Lives and Secrets of William J. Casey from the OSS to the CIA," and Viking will publish his latest book, "Nuremberg: Infamy on Trial," next spring.

NBA's big mouth to hawk Big Macs

PHOENIX (AP) — Charles Barkley is joining the Big Mac Attack.

The Phoenix Suns star will join or replace Michael Jordan in McDonald's ads, The Arizona Republic reported Tuesday, quoting an unidentified NBA source.

Barkley confirmed that a deal will likely be signed by the end of the week, the newspaper said.

"I'm not going to be Charles Barkley forever," Barkley said.

"I've got to take advantage of it while I still can."

FYI

Today

Society of Professional Journalists will sponsor a sports reporting panel at 9:15 p.m. in SH 336. Panel members include sports columnist Ernie Salvatore, volleyball Coach Vanessa Seghers and WSAZ sports anchor Kerry Garnett.

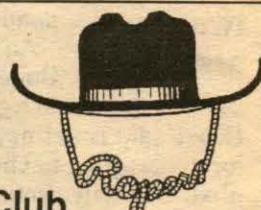
Pin Points Theatre will present "1001 Black Inventions," a play about African-American contributions to science, at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse. The play, sponsored by the African-American Students Program, costs \$5 for community members, but is free to students with a Marshall ID. For more information, call 696-2297.

Coming up

Student Government Association will have tailgating Saturday on Lot "T" behind Crutcher's. Bring your own beverages. Parking is available for \$5.

The Graduate Student Support Group for English graduate students will meet at 8 p.m. Sunday in the usual place. Feel free to bring snacks for the informal gathering. See campus posters for more info.

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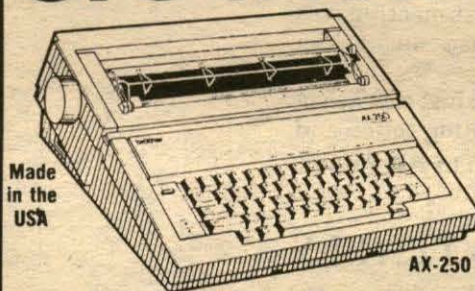
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A major new study finds little benefit to routinely giving aspirin to healthy pregnant women as a way of preventing high blood pressure, a serious complication of pregnancy.

Clinton says NAFTA is for families

WASHINGTON (AP) — Strolling among potential exports ranging from aircraft engines to pancake syrup, President Clinton pushed the endangered North American Free Trade Agreement Wednesday as good for "the future of America's working families."

Stepping up its NAFTA sales pitch to overcome congressional opposition, the White House transformed the South Lawn into a giant trade fair to showcase companies that expect to benefit from the trade pact.

Clinton said the hundreds of companies with exhibits spread out at the White House "really show what this trade agreement is all about."

He denounced critics for raising unrealistic fears about job losses under

NAFTA, saying, "we've got the facts on our side, they've got the fear on their side."

Foes of NAFTA, meanwhile, set up their own exhibit at the AFL-CIO to counter the White House "Product Day," displaying examples of products and jobs they said would be lost if the trade pact is approved.

"The big companies see big profits from NAFTA, but for the American taxpayer, it's a losing proposition," said Jim Jontz of the Citizens Trade Campaign coalition.

With a House vote on the trade pact scheduled for Nov. 17.

On Tuesday, Clinton signaled a willingness to compromise on plans to raise \$2.5 billion in taxes to replace federal

money that would be lost under NAFTA from removal of tariffs and related financial barriers.

U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor, in testimony before the House Ways and Means Committee, said the administration wants to double the fee charged on rail transport across international lines to \$15 per crossing. The \$5 fee on airline and ocean liner tickets and on commercial trucking movements across the Mexican and Canadian borders would be doubled to \$10, Kantor said.

White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers said the administration thinks it can raise the money it needs while holding the increase in the air, sea and truck fee to \$2.50.

Conflicting opinions

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President Bill Clinton

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Haitian leader threatens to resign

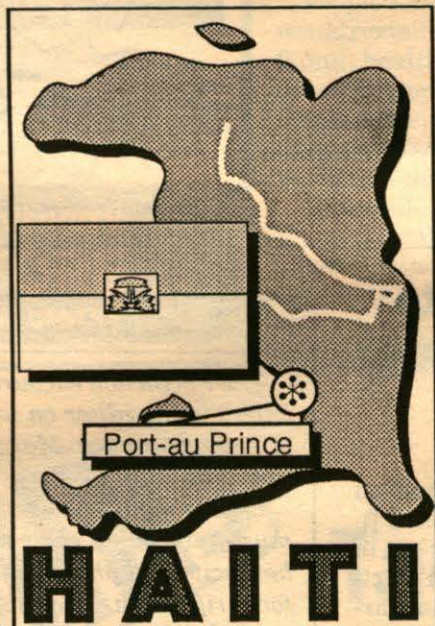
PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Haiti's embattled civilian prime minister threatened Wednesday to quit in 10 days if Haiti's army and police chiefs remain in power in defiance of a U.N. peace plan.

Prime Minister Robert Malval's comments added even more pressure to international mediators trying to implement a plan to return ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide on Oct. 30. A leading parliamentarian said lawmakers cannot complete work on the plan by that date, but a U.S. spokesman said the plan was "still not dead."

In Washington, a top Aristide aide said the U.S. government is asking Malval to broaden his government in an effort viewed by Aristide's supporters as a major concession to coup leaders. The aide spoke on condition of anonymity.

A State Department official who also declined to be named rejected the idea that concessions were being sought from Malval, saying such steps have "never, ever been contemplated."

Malval's departure could cripple international efforts to restore democracy to Haiti. He has been under considerable pressure to push Aristide for further concessions to the restive military, including a general amnesty law instead of an amnesty for political crimes after the 1991 coup.



Source: Hammond World Atlas

Malval, in an interview with Radio Tropic FM, said the exiled president told him by phone Tuesday night that he could not come back Oct. 30 with army chief Lt. Gen. Raoul Cedras and the chief of the army's police division, Lt. Col. Joseph Michel Francois, in power. Both men helped to lead the coup that toppled the democratically elected Aristide in September 1991.

Malval said he, too, would step down

if Aristide didn't come back as scheduled. "Morally, I don't want to be an accomplice of these maneuvers," Malval said in the radio broadcast.

An aide to the prime minister said Malval would only consider staying on if Aristide himself extended the Oct. 30 deadline.

The return of Aristide, who was ousted in a bloody coup two years ago, already had been questioned because of violence by right-wing opponents and resistance from military leaders to stepping down as called for by the accord.

The U.S. Embassy spokesman, Stanley Schrager, challenged the idea that the timetable could not be met, but he conceded a lot of work needed to be done.

On another matter, Schrager said the United States was flying in armored vehicles to help with security for Malval, whose justice minister was assassinated Thursday.

This came on the second day of the international oil and weapons embargo that was brought upon Haiti after United Nations forces were not allowed into the country.

The embargo is intended to pressure army commander Raoul Cedras to yield power to Aristide, Haiti's first democratically elected leader.

The embargo threatens to weaken an already fragile economy.

Williams found innocent in Denny beating

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Damian Williams was found innocent Wednesday of attempting to murder trucker Reginald Denny during the 1992 riots, capping a near-clean sweep for the defense on major charges in the case.

Superior Court Judge John Ouderkirk declared a mistrial on one deadlocked count, assault with a deadly weapon, against co-defendant Henry Watson.

The judge ordered Watson released without bail because he had been convicted of only one misdemeanor, which has a maximum jail term of six months. Williams remained jailed. Both defendants had been jailed 17 months since their arrest.

Williams and Watson were accused of attempted murder and other charges in the attacks on Denny, and several others. Denny was dragged from his rig at a South-Central intersection and nearly beaten to death as a TV camera recorded the scene from a helicopter.

On Monday, the jury acquitted Williams and Watson of some of the most serious counts and convicted them of reduced charges in other counts.

BRIEFS BRIEFS BRIEFS

Air France cancels 500 flights due to strike

PARIS (AP) — Air France canceled about 500 flights today as employees pressed ahead with a costly strike to protest the ailing state-run airline's plans to cut jobs and wages.

For the second day in a row, the strike wreaked havoc at both of Paris' main airports. Air France canceled all but a handful of flights in and out of Charles de Gaulle airport, and flights of all airlines at Orly airport were halted at mid-morning when hundreds of strikers marched onto the runways.

Air France estimates the strike is costing it 50 million francs (\$8.7 million) a day and has had to cancel flights to several airports.

South African panel decides on new flag

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — A green and gold banner decorated with triangles should replace the South African flag associated with apartheid, a panel of experts said Wednesday.

The panel appointed by black and white politicians negotiating the transition to democracy reviewed 6,000 possibilities.

The commission said its favored choice had a green background representing the environment and gold representing the sun and wealth.

Triangles of green, blue and red represent rain, water, sky, courage, progress and the blood of the people, it said.

Columbia crew collects medical research

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Trying hard not to blink, Columbia's astronauts stared at colored dots in a rotating dome for a study of space motion sickness.

NASA wants Columbia's seven astronauts to collect as much data as possible early in the 14-day medical research mission. This will be done while their bodies are still adapting to weightlessness.

Some effects they are trying to improve are weak muscles and soft bones which occur in space.

Scientists hope to develop measures to counteract these and other side effects, including loss of balance, diminished immunity and a reduction in red blood cells.

Students expelled for bringing gun to school

PRINCETON (AP) — Two Montcalm High School students were expelled for bringing a gun to school.

The Mercer County school board voted Tuesday to expel the students for the rest of the school year. School officials would not identify the pair.

"Hopefully it sends a message that incidents of this nature can't be tolerated and that we will act swiftly and decisively when they occur," said board President Jim Harrison.

School officials learned Oct. 4 the students had a gun. Police were called and the students were released to their parents.

opinion

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our view

Religion enters forbidden zone

▼ The issue: Some churches are becoming more open to understanding human sexuality.

Taboo topics are turning trivial as more churches are accepting human sexuality, a subject that was once brushed aside by clergy and churchgoers.

While some churches are opening up discussion concerning the controversial issue, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America has gone as far as confessing it has too often ignored "the created goodness of sexuality."

Contraceptives, masturbation and homosexuality are parts of the issue churches have overlooked, church officials say in a 21-page report titled "The Church and Human Sexuality: A Lutheran Perspective."

The report, which will be sent to 19,000 pastors and other church leaders in the 5.2 million-member denomination, is merely a rendition of what many counselors and physicians have been advocating for years.

This time a church is saying it, loud and clear.

For example, task force members who created the report say, "Masturbation, a means of self-pleasuring, is generally appropriate and healthy."

It also addresses the contemporary realities of sexual relationships by stating relationships should be loving, committed bonds — and not limited to heterosexual marriages.

While addressing the importance of monogamy and abstinence, the task force advocates sex education and "preventative practices such as the use of condoms."

Although some might say the report crosses the line between religious and secular beliefs, it actually balances tradition with the reality of the 90s. The report attacks promiscuity, sexual abuse, adultery, prostitution, anti-gay violence and pornography.

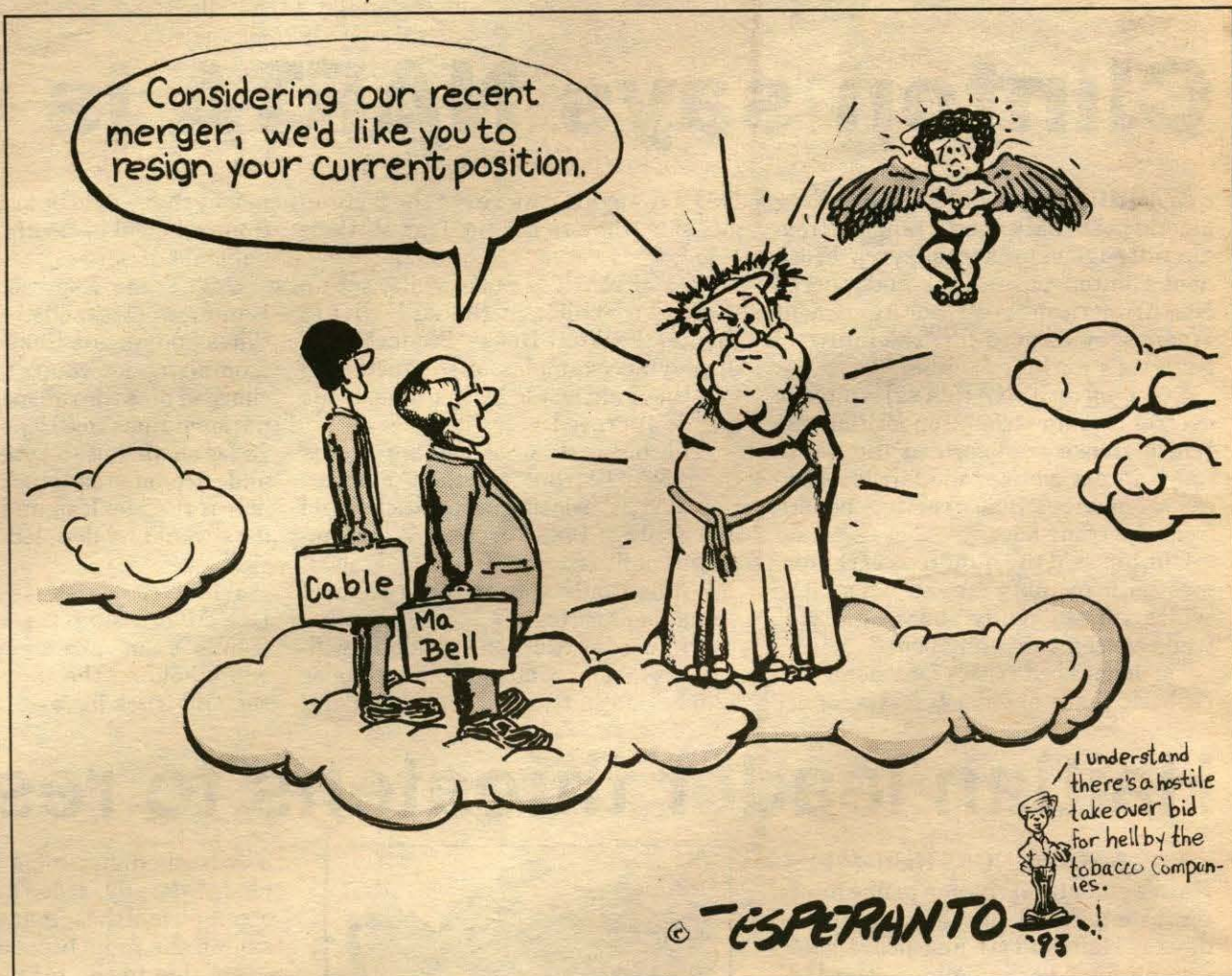
The report likely will ignite debate throughout the religious community. Some denominations already have considered the issues.

Homosexuality was brought up at the last National Methodist Conference in Louisville last year.

Although the delegates voted 710-238 to keep the Methodist Church's 20-year-old position that homosexuality is incompatible with Christian teaching, at least the subject was openly discussed.

That's more than what many churches are doing.

Fact is, sex education should be taught, homosexuality does exist and it is common to masturbate. It's about time some denominations are discussing and accepting things that have been parts of society for years.



letters

Rush represents mainstream views

To the editor:

As a senior at Marshall and an avid reader of the Parthenon, I finally feel compelled to speak out in response to Michael Tomblyn's Oct. 12 article "Rush — Hitler and Barney's Love Child."

I have read many articles, and I must say The Parthenon, like most mainstream media, has a liberal bias. I have no problem with this as The Parthenon is not my only source of information. However, Michael Tomblyn's Oct. 12 article on Rush Limbaugh is the biggest piece of journalistic garbage I have ever read. Now to dissect it and attach meaning as only a true ditto head can.

Mr. Tomblyn's article contains no analysis whatsoever. First, Mr. Tomblyn, you are an adult. Name-calling should have gone out in fourth grade. You call Rush a fat fascist with a militant fringe agenda. Scared, Mr. Tomblyn, of the voice of mainstream America? Seventeen million listeners every day and the fastest growing talk show programs in America cannot be wrong. You also call Rush a Nazi. (which you misspell later; Feminazi is spelled with an I, not an E) These are very powerful, degrading, and misleading words.

The modus operandi of Rush Limbaugh is not to misinform anyone. As a political commentator, Rush merely pursues an unending search for the truth, excels in everything he does, and exposes totally absurd, radical groups and individuals in America which threaten the foundations of this great nation. You say his arguments are illogical. You say you have dissected his arguments. Which ones Mr. Tomblyn? We need names. Scared yet?

Next, if a ditto head tells you in an argument, "well, Rush says" you had

▼ Letters

The Parthenon encourages letters to the editor on topics of interest to the Marshall community.

Letters should be typed and must have name, class rank, home city and phone number for verification. They should not be longer than 250 words.

Letters

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better listen. He reads an average of 12 hours per day. His Rush to Excellence videos demonstrate how much the man reads. His arguments have statistics from a wide variety of sources and most often direct quotes from liberal leaders themselves.

He merely exposes the fallacies in many liberal arguments on a wide variety of liberal agenda topics, such as environmental concerns, economic strategies, and various social issues ranging from homosexuals in the military to the political (cleansing) correct movement.

Finally, Mr. Tomblyn, I sincerely hope you do not wish to pursue a career in journalism. I fear you would not eat as well as Rush obviously does, nor would you make as much money.

The fact is, when conservatives decide to have a voice on this campus or on the radio, it puts the fear of God in liberals. Mainstream America is tired of having a liberal agenda shoved down our throats, and we simply refuse to allow it to go on any longer. But we are branded Nazis, fascists, bigots, environmental destructionists, women haters, Christian wackos, anti-choice, homophobic, etc.... I simply suggest quit the name calling and

let the American people speak for themselves

The growing Christian Coalition, Rush Limbaugh, and groups such as the Young Republicans refuse to allow the liberals to shape this country without fighting back. With half his brain tied behind his back, Mr. Tomblyn, Rush will continue to expose absurd liberals like you as bufoons.

How, you ask? With a constant strive for truth and excellence in all he does. By the way, ever really listened to an entire show? You are probably scared you will learn something or change your mind.

Stephen P. New
Gilbert senior

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Corrections will appear on Page 2.

COLUMNS

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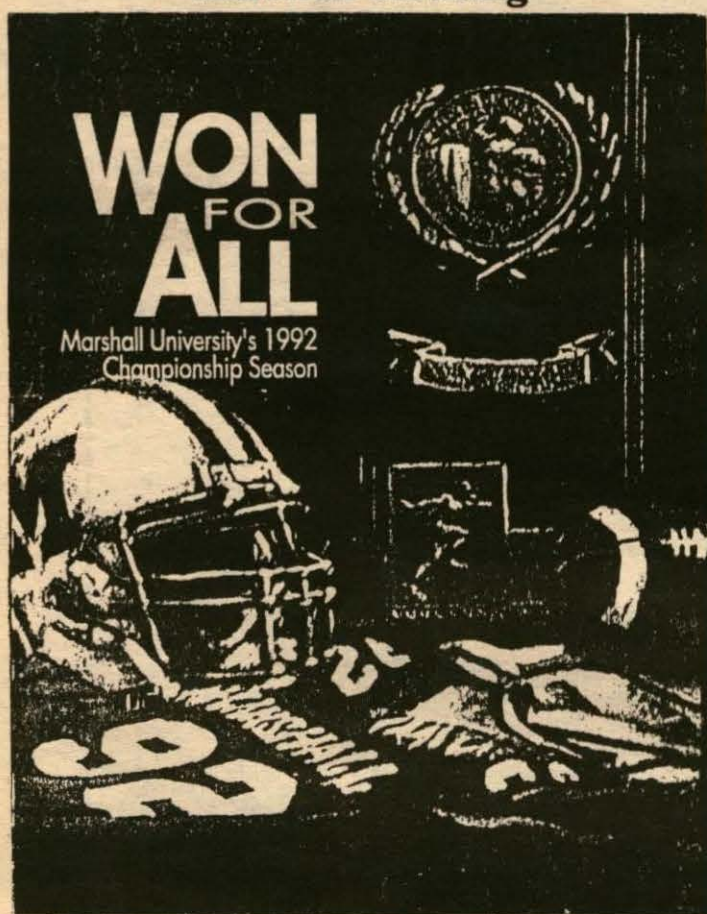
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Welfare system needs revamp

Last month, Vice President Al Gore revealed his proposals to "reinvent government." These budget cuts would save an estimated \$108 billion in federal spending in the next five years. While this certainly is a start, it is only 1.3 percent of the total federal spending during those same years. In essence, this represents symbolism over substance.

Since the vice president has opened the topic of reinvention, there is a program that comes to mind when I think of failure—the welfare system.

Keep in mind that I am not asserting a lack of need for a welfare system. There are those such as the elderly and physically disabled, who are unable to provide adequately for themselves. Some of these individuals have no family or community organizations to assist them. It is in these cases, government should assist through the welfare system.

I propose the welfare system be reworked. First, require all welfare recipients to be physically examined by a physician within a time limit of six weeks.

People found unfit for work would remain on welfare. Those found healthy would be required to work 40 hours a week for the same government check they received before the reinvention of the welfare system.

How could we put these people to work? Well, we have thousands of miles of highways and streets that could be cleaned,



ROBERT PAINTER

COLUMNIST

others could assist in construction projects such as those from the New Deal era, some could answer phones or act as messengers, and the list goes on.

A second modification would be reforming the formula for dependents. Welfare guidelines now provide more money as the number of dependents increases. This should be halted. Welfare recipients would be fixed, in terms of benefits, at the initial number of dependent children when welfare benefits began.

Currently, there is no incentive for welfare recipients to seek entry-level jobs, which often pay minimum wage. By working full-time in such a job, one often earns only slightly more than the welfare benefits. Then why try to find a job?

However, if welfare recipients were required to work in order to receive benefits, there would be a tangible reason to seek private employment. There is no opportunity for advancement in the welfare system. In the private sector, that opportunity is almost always present, even when starting at

minimum wage, and although entry-level wages might only slightly exceed the welfare benefits, there would be an incentive to maximize profit for an investment of time.

This would be a substantive step toward reinventing government since the welfare system is one of the most wasteful programs in the federal budget. Following the reform, we would initially observe scores of people participating in public works projects. Then, many of the welfare workers would realize it would be to their advantage to obtain jobs in the private sector, resulting in a cut in welfare expenditures.

It is unlikely, though, that we will see Vice President Gore reinvent the welfare system. It is also unlikely that many of his proposals to reinvent other programs will come to fruition. The fact is that practically every federal dollar spent is backed by a congressman or constituency, or both, who want to maintain it.

If the administration truly wanted to reform government, it would have cut spending before raising taxes. The only way we will be able to tackle the problem of wasteful government spending will be to couple spending cuts and no tax increases!

I congratulate Mr. Gore on his endeavor to reinvent government, but I suggest less symbolism and more substance.



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AA

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whining about not being able to drink anymore. I was wrong," Steve said.

The age factor is one of the misconceptions that keeps some young people from going to AA, but it is far from the only one.

"I thought I was going to lose my social life, and I think a lot of people think that," Margie said. "I didn't lose my social life, though. I just exchanged one for another."

"I couldn't imagine life without drinking," Mike said. "I was a bar drinker. But I found out that all my non-alcoholic friends from before were still my friends. The only people I lost were people who I didn't have much in common with anyway; drinking was our only bond. Now I know that I can do anything anyone else can do, except drink."

Many think AA members have to avoid places that serve alcohol.

"I can go anywhere I have a reason to be," Margie said. "I choose to stay out of bars most of the time because being around a bunch of drunk people isn't all that much fun when you aren't drunk yourself."

"I have to be careful, but I don't have to be afraid of being around alcohol. If I am doing what I am supposed to do, I am OK. For a few months I had to avoid it completely, but now I just don't make a habit of hanging out in places where people are getting drunk," Steve said.

Is AA a temperance league against all alcohol?

"Hey, it's a personal choice to drink," Steve said. "It is fine for the people who want to do it. I have just proven to myself that I can't drink successfully."

AA's principle of anonymity, which asks members to keep from identifying themselves publicly so the organization will not be associated with personal causes, might make the group seem invisible to some.

"We have a very active and large AA community here in Huntington. Anyone who needs us can find the number under AA in the phone book," Mike said.

"There are the numbers in the phone book and there are the private treatment centers, even though they are not allied with AA in any way," Steve said. "Some people can stop on their own. Me, I needed to be locked up away from booze for a few days to get dried out before I was able to start working the program."

Do they think it was worth it to stop drinking?

"My only regret is that I didn't stop sooner," Steve said.

"I was failing out of school and my life was hell before I got in AA. Since then, I made almost all As and Bs, graduated, got a job in my field and got my life together. I don't miss anything about drinking," Margie said.

Mike, who has been sober for almost 16 years, agrees.

"We have a lot of fun in AA. Would I have been here 16 years if I didn't think it was a better way to live?"

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Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson

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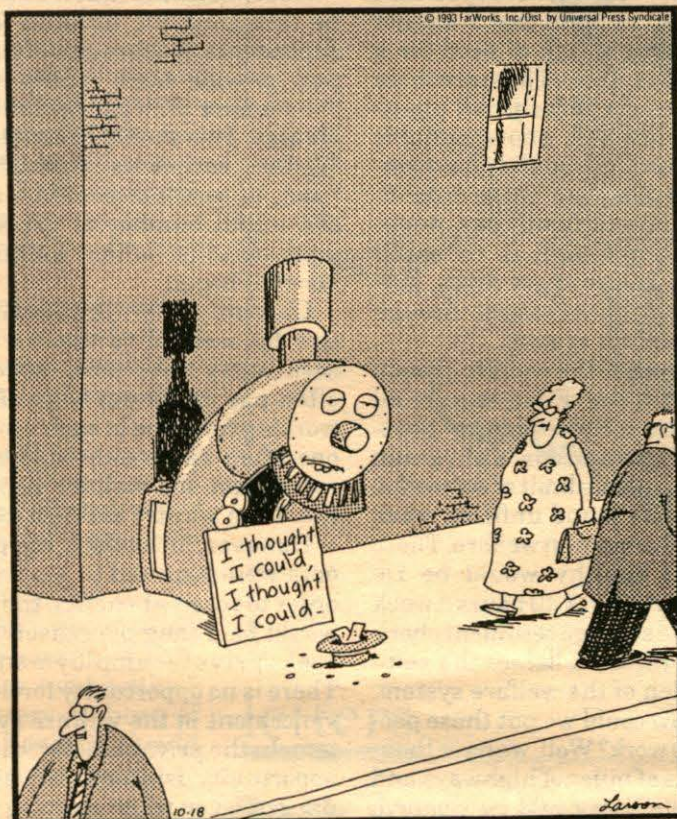


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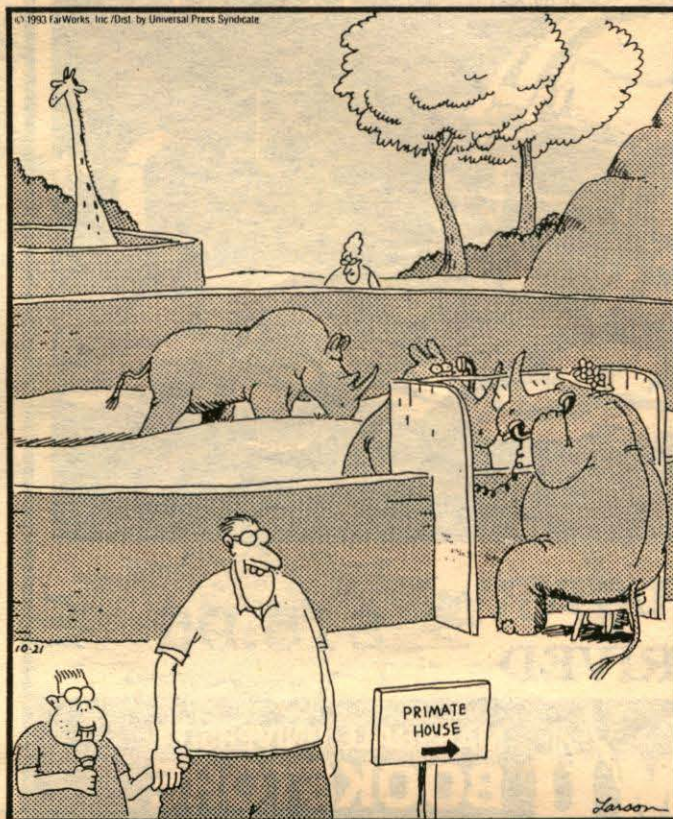
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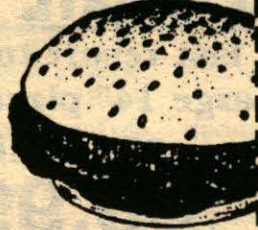


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The Marshall soccer team lost Wednesday to Virginia Tech by a score of 3-0. The loss drops the Herd's record to 3-12.

MU not expecting homecoming cakewalk

By Bret Gibson
Reporter

The rivalry between Appalachian State and Marshall has never been a friendly one, and this week will not be different.

Two years ago, after a game against the Mountaineers in Boone, N.C., Marshall coach Jim Donnan said the ASU offense could not score if a defense was not on the field.

Appy won 9-3. Last year, the Mountaineers said the Herd did not have the defense to win a national championship.

Marshall won the national title against Youngstown State.

"We don't worry about what they say and I'm sure they

"There is no difference to me if they are 1-6 or 6-1. We feel the same every year that they have consistently been one of the better teams year in year out."

Marshall Coach Jim Donnan

don't worry about what we say," Donnan said. "It's a psychological approach, and whatever they used last year certainly worked."

A six yard pass to Ray Gama from since graduated D.J. Campbell with eight seconds left proved to be the homecoming game winner and put Marshall's chances for any post-season play in jeopardy. It was also the Thundering Herd's first loss in its new sta-

dium.

"I hope it isn't any more emotional than any other game," Appy coach Jerry Moore said. "The series has always been a good football game."

Appalachian State comes into Huntington with an uncharacteristic 1-6 record, which is last place in the conference.

"There is no difference to me if they are 1-6 or 6-1," Donnan said. "We feel the same every

year that they have consistently been one of the better teams year in year out."

Donnan feels that Appalachian is definitely better than it's record reflects.

"Their defense has been put in some precarious positions this year," he said. "We're going to have our hands full this week. They've had some tough losses against some good football teams."

Last week, Appy had conference leader Georgia Southern on the ropes with a 14-10 half-time lead. The Mountaineers had a punt blocked and lost two fumbles to set up three Eagle scores and lose 34-28. ASU gained 359 yards against a stingy Eagle defense. Mountaineer quarterback Scott Satterfield threw for 170 yards

and ran for two touchdowns.

"We played our typical ball game against Georgia Southern, but we had some bad breaks and came up a bit short," Moore said. "This game against Marshall is the first time we haven't played for the conference championship or the playoffs. We'll be playing the role of the spoiler."

For this Saturday, both coaches hope actions speak louder than words.

HERD WORDS: The spotlight on Saturday's game will be on MU and ASU running backs Chris Parker and Chip Hooks respectively.

Parker is the league leader with a total of 738 yards this year. Hooks has a total of 660 yards. He gained 124 yards on 21 carries with a touchdown last year.

More student fees to be used for Marshall athletics

By Mark Truby
Sports Editor

With declining state funds available for athletics, students will be footing more of the bill for this year's Thundering Herd sports teams.

Operating expenses for the athletic department this year will be \$5,671,595 up \$575,017 from last year. Student activity fees accounted for about \$740,000 of the budget, about

\$38,000 more than last year.

Faculty Senate President Bert Gross said he expects state appropriated funding for athletics to continue to dwindle, while student fees allocated for athletics rise. The state earmarked \$335,135 for Marshall athletics, \$40,000 less than last year.

"I think we can expect more students fees to be used," Gross said. "As less and less state funding is available, they will

have to make up the difference in other places."

The Marshall Athletic Department submitted their budget for the 1993-94 fiscal year this week to Faculty Senate.

Athletic Director Lee Moon said MU will continue to use decreasing amounts of state appropriations until the athletic department becomes self-sufficient, but said that means they will likely request a larger chunk of student activity fee

money.

"We hope they will recognize our needs," Moon said.

Gross said even without state money the athletic department will not be totally self-sufficient.

"It depends on what you call self-sufficient, they'll still be using university money, it just won't come directly from the state," Gross said.

The athletic department has been operating under the bud-

get for several months, Gross said.

"They submit it more to inform the (faculty) senate. Since they have been operating on the basis of the budget already, it's obvious that our approval is not necessary for them to operate," Gross said.

The addition of the women's softball team and added scholarships in other sports account for much of the budget increase from last year, Moon said.

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LARCENY

• A resident of Twin Towers East reported a 14-carat gold necklace missing from his room Thursday. The victim claimed the necklace was stolen while he was in the shower.

• A female student accidentally left her purse on the ground outside Smith Hall Thursday when she was picked up. When she realized the purse was

• A Fisher dual cassette player was reported stolen Monday from the Henderson Center. Police have no suspects in the case.

PROPERTY DESTRUCTION

• A male student reported Monday that someone had slashed the right front tire on his car. The tire was slashed sometime on Oct. 14 in area L.

• A concession stand on

Crime Briefs

By Deborah Blair

missing, she returned but the purse was gone. The purse was later found empty in the second floor men's bathroom.

• Two females in Holderby reported Saturday that someone had stolen nearly \$70 from their unlocked room. The money had been in a jar on a desk.

• A male student returning to his car on area R Saturday reported that plastic headlight covers had been stolen from his car. The covers were found smashed in the same parking lot.

level E of the Henderson Center was reported damaged Monday. Police have no suspects in the case.

ASSAULT

• Two female residents of Holderby Hall reported Saturday that a male suspect had been throwing water balloons at them.

FIRE

• A generator in the Twin Towers boiler room overheated during routine testing Friday, igniting fresh tar on the roof. The small fire was extinguished and damages were minimal.

Researchers: New product found to remove thigh fat

MILWAUKEE (AP) — A teaspoon a day seems to have taken the fat away from women's thighs, according to researchers experimenting with a cream made from an over-the-counter asthma remedy.

The research, conducted by a group that includes a distinguished obesity researcher, drew both skepticism and enthusiasm from those who heard it described at a scientific meeting this week.

"It was a very interesting and very preliminary report," but "it's not yet cause for excitement," said Patrick M. O'Neil, director of the Weight Management Center at the Medical University of South Carolina.

O'Neil said questions remain about whether the cream is truly reducing fat and whether its effects will persist. But he immediately began making arrangements to obtain some of the cream to conduct his own tests.

The researchers studied only a small group of women, who are more likely than men to have lower-body fat. Men are more prone to abdominal fat. It is also known that women have trouble losing weight in their thighs, because abdominal fat is burned up first, researchers said.

Researchers said that if the

cream works, it would provide a safer alternative to liposuction, in which fat is surgically removed from under the skin.

Its effects would be primarily cosmetic, however, because fat in the hips and thighs is not of great importance to health. Numerous studies have shown that health risks are associated mostly with abdominal fat, said Dr. Ahmed H. Kissebah of the Medical College of Wisconsin.

The cream has been patented and licensed to an entrepreneur, said one of its developers, Dr. Frank Greenway of the Harbor-UCLA Medical Center in Los Angeles.

Greenway said he shares the patent with one of his collaborators, Dr. George Bray, a noted obesity researcher and director of Louisiana State University's Pennington Biomedical Research Center.

The research was described at the annual meeting of the North American Association for the Study of Obesity, an organization of academic scientists doing basic research on causes and possible treatments for obesity.

The cream's active ingredient is aminophylline, an asthma remedy available in pill form without prescription, Greenway said.

He said the cream was studied in two groups of 12 women. Every day, each woman had a teaspoon of the cream applied to one thigh, and an inactive cream applied to the other.

After five weeks, the treated thighs had shrunk in circumference by an average of one-half inch, Greenway said. One woman complained of skin irritation and dropped out of the study.

In the second group, a less potent cream was used to avoid irritation. It produced even better results: a reduction of about 1 1/2 inches in the treated thighs.

The cream reduced thigh size even in women who didn't lose weight, Greenway said. Researchers believe, but have not yet proven, that the result is due to loss of fat.

Greenway said the cream appears to work by altering fat cells in the thighs to make it easier for them to discharge stored fat.

"Maybe too much inhibits the system," he said.

Greenway said the cream could be available as a cosmetic relatively soon. "If you make cosmetic claims, you could market it as a cosmetic" without going through the lengthy and expensive drug-approval process, he said.

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